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Commendation for Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Letters From Chas. T. Wilder and Rev. Herbert H. Gowen—Shakespeare at the Y. M. C. A.

The Australia, on her return trip down, will bring Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal A. Williams, the noted Shakespearean recitallists. During their brief stay here they will give four evenings with Shakespeare at the Y. M. C. A. They will then continue on their way to Australia.

This will afford the Honolulu lovers of art an unusual opportunity of listening to the two gifted interpreters of Shakespeare.

The following letter from Consul-General Charles T. Wilder explains itself:

HAWAIIAN CONSULATE GENERAL, San Francisco, Cal., April 19, 1899.

P. A. HOSMER, A. B., President Oahu College, Honolulu, H. I.—Dear Sir: Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal A. Williams of New York City, who are soon to give a series of Shakespearean recitals in San Francisco before the representative literary people of this city, will soon visit Honolulu.

Although I have never had the opportunity of hearing these artists, yet from the quantity and quality of autograph letters and press notices pertaining to their recent recitals in the principal cities on the Pacific coast, I am assured, beyond question, of their ability as interpreters of Shakespeare's plays.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams will stop over in your city on their way to Australia, and it is their wish and desire to give a few recitals in Honolulu during their stay.

A brief conversation with Mr. Williams will more than convince you of his ability to entertain the literary people of Honolulu in high class entertainments.

Feeling assured that Mr. and Mrs. Williams will meet with a royal welcome in your city, allow me to subscribe myself, very respectfully,

CHARLES T. WILDER.

Rev. Herbert H. Gowen, who was formerly stationed in Honolulu, and who is now chairman of the department of Oriental languages of the Washington Philological Society, has written the following letter to Mr. Williams:

Trinity Parish, Seattle, Feb. 21, 1899.

Dear Mr. Williams: I am very glad to have the opportunity of thanking you for the recitals given by yourself and Mrs. Williams in this city. Two more difficult plays could hardly have been chosen than "The Tempest" and "The Winter's Tale," and yet we found a power of interpretation and differentiation of character in, for one, never expected to see. We had given us by one voice all the wonderful range from Caliban to Prospero, from Stephano to Ariel, and again we had the interval between Antiochus to Hermione bridged with marvelous success. The introductions to the plays and the connecting links were always adequate without losing their main purpose. Altogether we feel indebted to you and to Mrs. Williams for new glimpses of the power of him who is indeed "the priest to us all of the wonder and bloom of the world." With very kind regards to yourself and Mrs. Williams, I am yours sincerely,

HERBERT H. GOWEN.

THE STICK AND THE CRUST.

A stick and a crust of bread. Like the hands of a clock these two articles told the time of day for nearly a year in a certain man's life. Yet, unlike the hands of a clock, they were not visible at once. When he needed the stick he had no use for the crust; and when the crust was welcome he had no further occasion for the stick.

Albeit he was a young fellow of twenty-six, you would be wrong in supposing this stick to have been in the nature of a weapon for attack or defence. In that case the crust and the stick would have harmonized. As it was, they did not. For the stick was a support, not a club.

Now, when a man feels the pressure of eighty or ninety years he is apt to want a travelling companion of that sort; but one in the very heyday of youth, not suffering from any injury and not constitutionally feeble, or malformed, should commonly be able to walk without a stick. And so this young man had always done up to the time when he fell out with the crust and with all that the crust stood for or represented.

His own account of the circumstances runs thus:—"Up to October, 1893, I had been a strong, healthy, and active man. Then I commenced to feel weak and out of sorts. I was heavy, tired, and had no ambition or energy. What had come over me I could not imagine. I had a foul, nasty taste in the mouth and was constantly spitting up a thick, dirty phlegm. My appetite left me, and what little I ate lay on my stomach like lead, causing me great pain about the chest. A short, distressing cough settled upon me and troubled me day and night.

"At night my sleep was disturbed and broken with night sweats and frightful dreams. I had great pain at the left side around the heart, and my breathing was hurried and short. Next I began to spit blood and was greatly alarmed at it. I wasted away rapidly, losing over a stone weight in a month, and became so weak that I was unable to rise on my feet without assistance.

"Although only a young man of twenty-six I was obliged to hobble about

with a stick, and could walk but a short distance even at that. Worried and anxious I attended the York County Hospital, where the doctors sounded me and said I was in a consumption.

Here we have another of the serious and often fatal mistakes that are made in cases like this. Misled by symptoms which in some respects resemble those of consumption, medical men hastily decide that the lungs are affected, treat the patient perfunctorily for the hopeless disease he is not afflicted with, and leave the result to chance. Hence he often dies of dyspepsia and its complications—his true disease—which, unlike consumption, is easily curable by the remedy our friend finally employed.

"They gave me cod-liver oil," he continued, "and medicines, but I got no better. In deed, I was so low-spirited and miserable I didn't care what became of me. As time passed I grew weaker and weaker.

"After I had endured ten months of this, Mr. R. W. Dickinson, the chemist in Waimate, advised me to try Mother Selge's Syrup. After taking it a few days I felt much better, my appetite reviving and my food giving me no pain. I continued to take this medicine only, and soon the cough and breathing trouble left me and I began to gain strength and flesh. When I had taken three bottles I was as strong as ever, and could eat and enjoy even a dry crust. I have since had good health. You are at liberty to publish this letter and refer all inquiries to me. (Signed) Isalah Lewis, 124, Waimate, York, April 8th, 1894."

If the reader wonders how a man could suffer so much, become so emaciated and weak, and be pushed so near the grave's edge through what is sometimes flippantly called "mere indigestion," he has yet to learn that the digestion is the arbiter of life and death. The "crust" (food), enjoyed and digested, means life and strength. Rejected it means the "stick," to supplement swift-coming weakness; and then the *precis* position, when help is vain. Mother Selge's Syrup enabled Mr. Lewis to substitute the *crust* for the *stick*. It cured his dyspepsia.

FAREWELL BANQUET.

Dinner at Kailua in Honor of a Business Man.

KAILUA, May 15.—At Kailua, North Kona, on Friday evening, the 12th inst., a farewell banquet was given in honor of Mr. Christian Castendyke, who is about to take his departure for Germany to be absent four or five months.

Mr. Castendyke has had charge of the H. Hackfeld & Co. store in Kailua since July last. His gentlemanly bearing, his courteous manner and strict business qualifications have won for him many friends here in Kona. His departure, therefore, at this juncture, was the occasion which his friends seized upon to show him their esteem. The dining hall for the occasion was decorated with ferns and white lilies. Upon the tables was a great variety of flowers, including carnations, heliotrope and roses. The button-hole bouquets at each plate consisted of beautiful roses and violets. The menu comprised choice fishes of the deep, and vegetables, fowls and fruits, such as the slopes of Kona alone can produce. Eighteen business men of Kailua and the surrounding community were present as hosts. Songs, recitations and toasts were indulged in till a late hour. "Our Guest," was especially toasted with hearty aloha, safe voyage, speedy and happy return.

FRIENDS.

INDIANS AND FILIPINOS.

In making a comparison between the Indians and Filipinos' warlike qualities, Maj. Gen. T. M. Anderson, U. S. Vols., now on his way home from Manila, in a recent interview said that the Filipino as a soldier or fighter resembled very much the American Indian, though he thought the Indian the braver of the two races. The native Filipinos are persistent. They are not easily discouraged, and when cornered they will fight to the death of the last man before they will surrender. The General added, by way of explanation: "This was shown on the 5th of February, when my division made its advance to its present position. In one place I remember after a charge of our men a whole company of Filipinos suffered death fighting to the last in their trenches rather than be captured. But as a rule they will offer fight only from under cover, much like Indian fighting."

JAPAN AND PEACE.

A Tokyo dispatch states that recently Marquis Yamagata reported to the throne on the attitude to be taken by the Japanese Government in regard to the Disarmament Conference? His Majesty sent Marquis Tokudomi to the Premier and inquired in detail into the instructions to be given to Baron Hayashi, the Japanese representative at the Conference, and specially instructed the Premier to make a thorough investigation into the attitude to be taken by the Powers with regard to the Orient.

INEVITABLE STRIFE.

"Do you think that we will ever have universal peace?" asked the thoughtful man.

"I dunno," answered the musician. "If we do, I'd hate to have the contract of managing the singing organizations who will be assembled to sing anthems about it. The professional jealousy will be something terrific."

SHE IS IN ANGER

Stevenson's Widow Talks of Samoan Affairs.

A Warm Sympathizer With the Islanders. Scores Two Nations and Justice Chambers.

LONDON, May 2.—Robert Louis Stevenson's widow has written a letter to the Westminster Gazette from Funchal, Madeira, on the bombardment of Samoan villages by British and American warships.

Mrs. Stevenson says: "President McKinley allowed no firing on Cuban towns unless they gave active cause of offense, and Commodore Watson was ordered not to attack undefended Spanish cities. Does the President keep his humanity for civilized countries alone?"

Mrs. Stevenson declares that the Samoan villages are inhabited in time of war by non-combatants, who have to choose between the sails of the warships and "taking to the bush." Under such conditions, she says, "delicate women can hardly exist, while children die like flies."

Mrs. Stevenson's letter concludes as follows: "Chief Justice Chambers has been represented as saying in a letter to his brother, 'I never was happier.' He must be a person singularly devoid of imagination if he ever pictured to himself the scenes being enacted in the bombardment of those villages; the exodus of panic-stricken people rushing hither and thither; shells bursting everywhere, the cries of bedridden and hapless wounded people burning alive in their blazing houses; women in the pangs of childbirth, mangled children crawling on the sands, the sea before them and the bush behind them. And we read that the woods also were shelled. Who is to be held accountable for these deeds that disgrace both England and America?"

BRITISH PACIFIC CABLE.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 5.—The Government of British Columbia, through Finance Minister Cotton, yesterday telegraphed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada, offering to contribute \$1,000,000 toward the laying of an all-British cable from Victoria to New Zealand and Australia. The colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland and New Zealand agreed sometime ago to contribute \$1,000,000 each, and the Dominion of Canada offered to bear half the additional cost, viz., \$2,500,000, provided the Imperial Government contributed a like amount. The offer of British Columbia leaves but \$2,000,000 each for Canada and Great Britain to pay, the whole cost being estimated at \$9,000,000.

RICHER THAN THEIR WEIGHT.

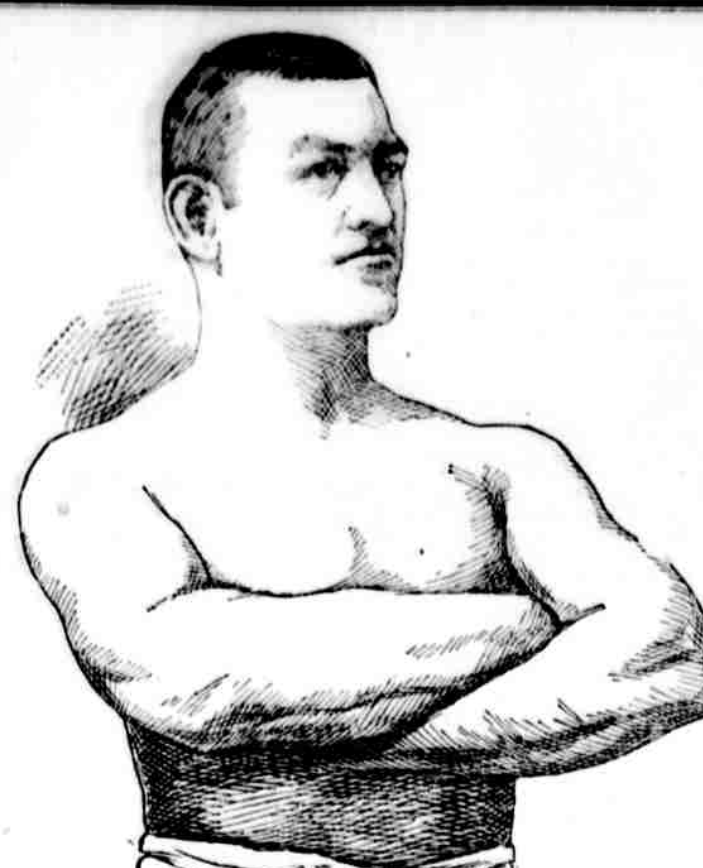
Several brides have been presented with marriage portions far exceeding their weight in gold. The average weight of a bride will not exceed 130 pounds, or 2880 ounces, and this at \$20 per ounce is \$41,600. The marriage portion of Miss Pauline Whitney, daughter of ex-Secretary Whitney, was \$1,000,000, or more than twenty-four times her weight in gold. Miss Margot Tennant's marriage portion of \$15,000 a year was more than twelve times her weight in gold, while the marriage portion of Miss Mackay (now the Princess of Colombia) of \$2,500,000 was more than 360 times her weight in gold.

PAY OF FIGHTERS.

The Comptroller of the Treasury has decided that troops now serving in the Philippines are entitled to the payment of the 20 per cent. extra pay allowed to enlisted men during time of war. It is held that the regulation granting the extra pay is in the nature of a contract with the troops and that it is in full force and effect, notwithstanding the proclamation of peace with Spain. Accordingly officers of the pay corps of the Army in the Philippines have been instructed to continue the pay of the extra compensation.

A RELIC OF THE WAR.

Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr. Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., wholesale agents for H. I., and all druggists and dealers.



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